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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.115**

In response to the Office Action mailed June 27, 2006, the response to which is due September 27, 2006, reconsideration is respectfully requested.

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